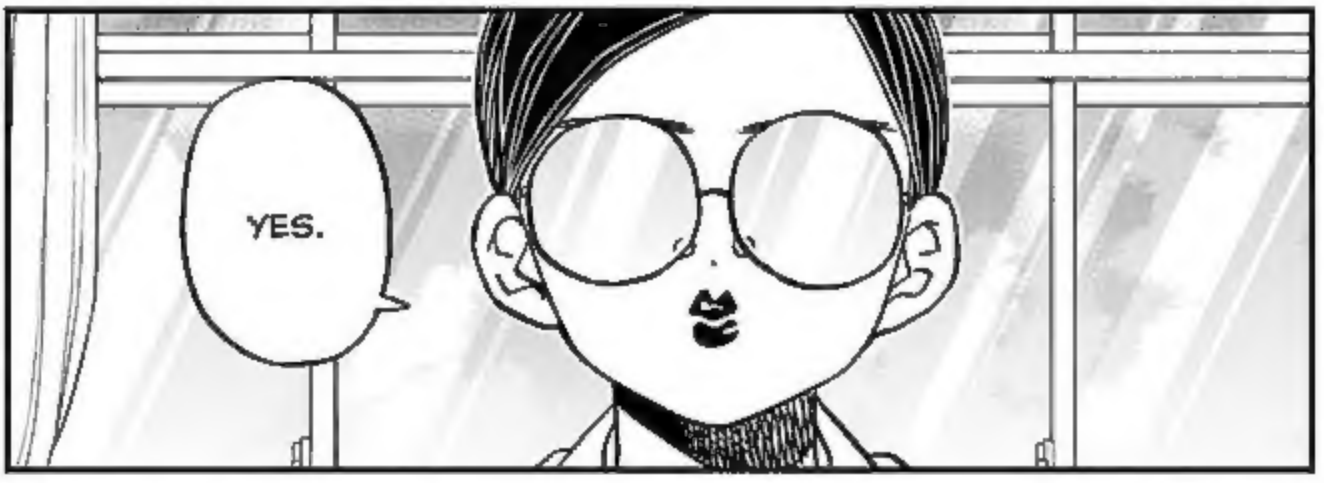
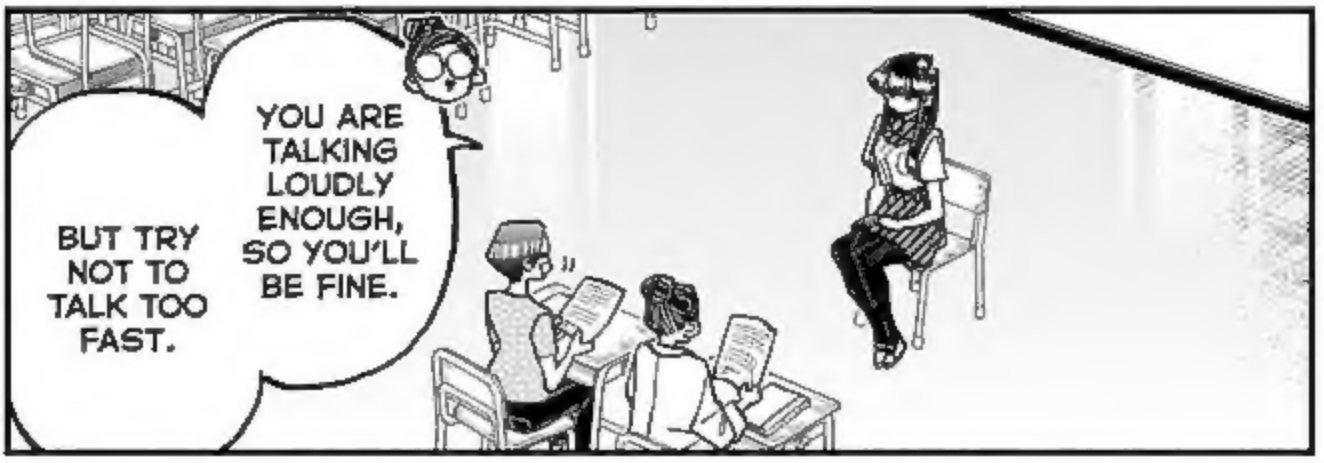
Komi Can't Communicate





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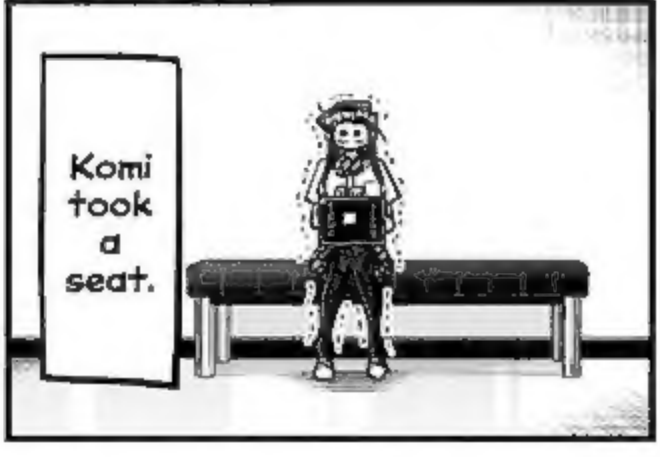
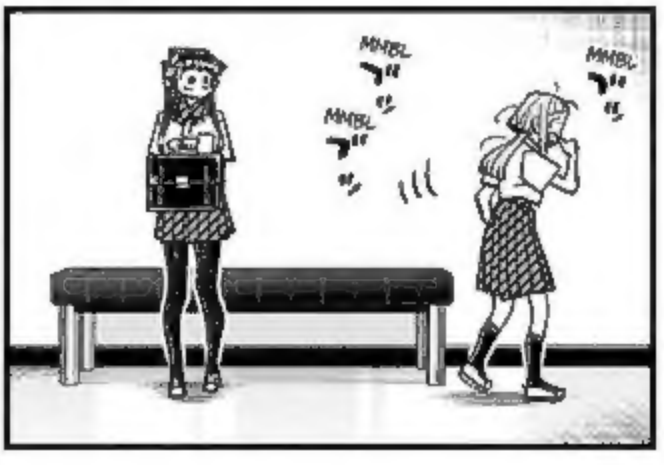
GOOD LUCK.
IT'LL BE A WALK IN THE PARK!
Overly confident
!!
GNUP
BOW
ペコ
Good work today!

ドク…
BADUM
ドク…
BADUM
ドク…
BADUM
ス——!!
AHHH
フ——!!
FWOO
TMP
Shoko Komi interview site this way.

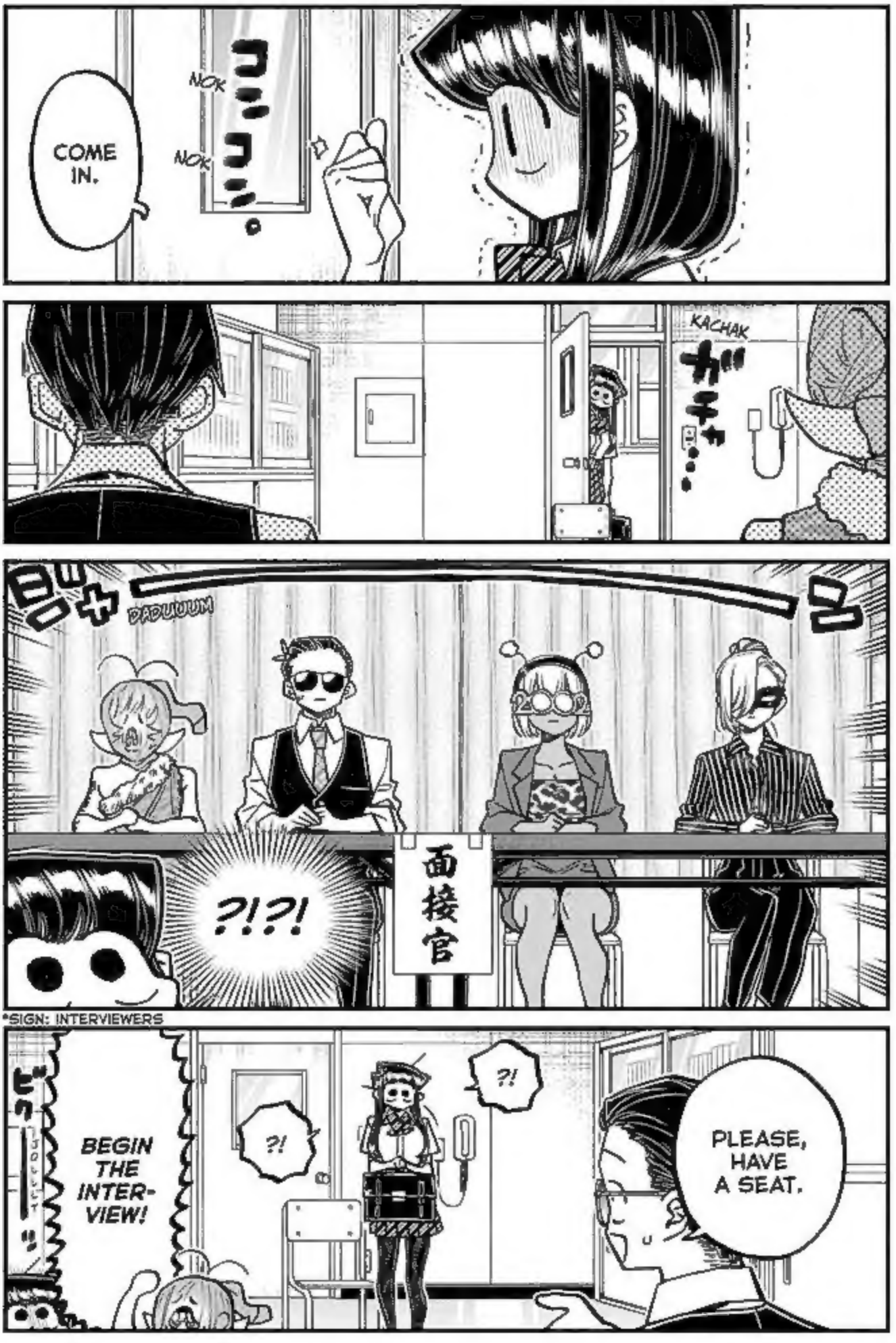
"What?!"
HAUUOOSH
...?!
?!
スル
SWOOO
...
She decided to have a look.
YES, THIS IS THE PLACE.
?!
受
*SIGN: RECEPTION
PLEASE PRESENT YOUR STUDENT I.D.
"Why are they here at Itan?!"
?!
?!

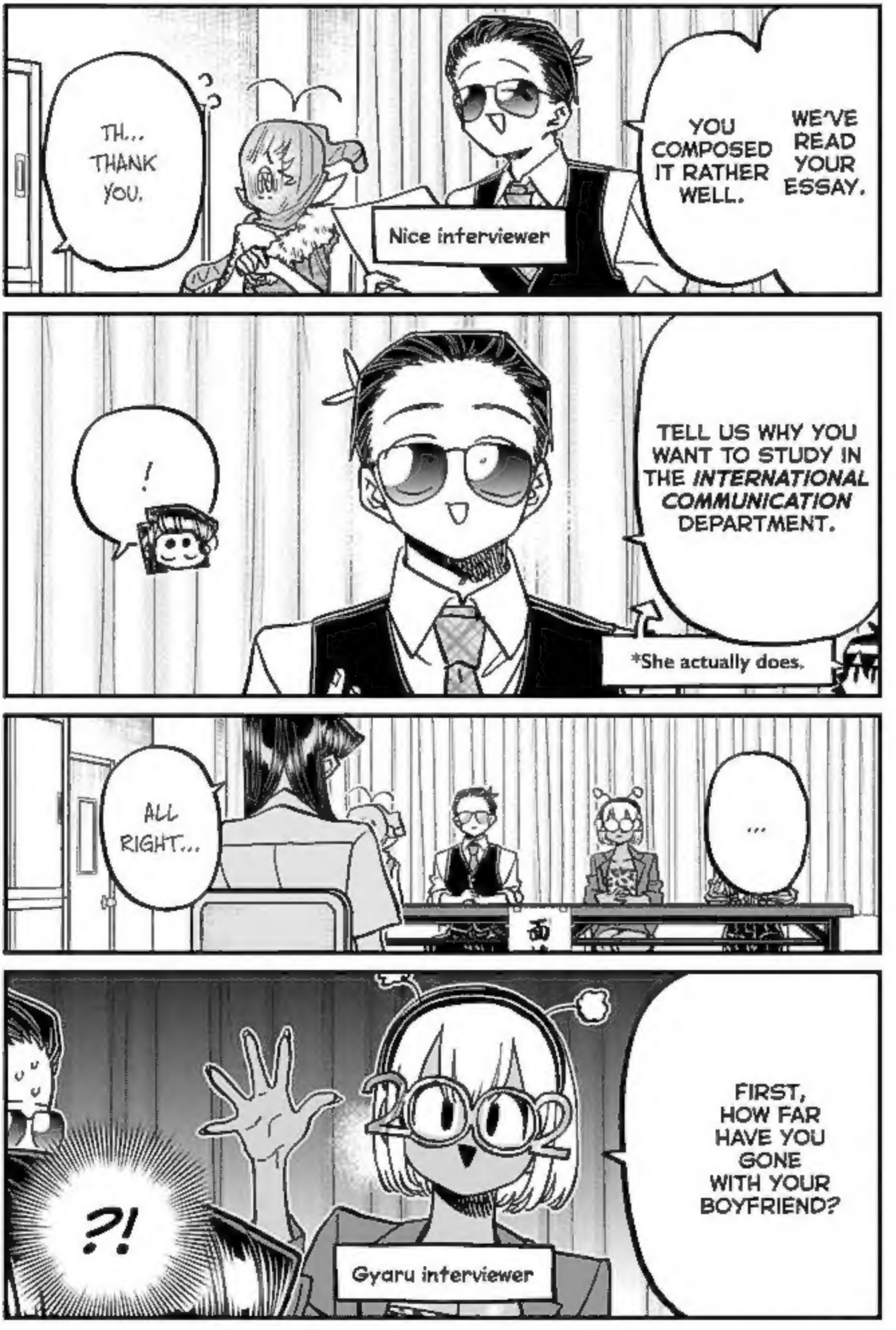
*SIGN: INTERVIEW ROOM





JOLT ビック!!
!
カチャ
KACHAK
おぎ
GASP
ひっく!!
SOB
Th-thank you f-for...
...your time.
?!
Makeru Yadano
うぐ!!
SNIFF
?!
?!
あああああああ
WAAAAAH
Waaaaaah!!
!!
あああああ
WAAH
SHOKO KOMI. YOU'RE NEXT!


コンコン
NOK
NOK
COME IN.
KACHAK
ガチャ…
DADUUUM
ドドド
?!?!
面接官
*SIGN: INTERVIEWERS
PLEASE, HAVE A SEAT.
?!
?!
BEGIN THE INTER-VIEW!
ビッ
ピピピピ


TH... THANK YOU.
Nice interviewer
WE'VE READ YOUR ESSAY.
YOU COMPOSED IT RATHER WELL.
!
TELL US WHY YOU WANT TO STUDY IN THE *INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION* DEPARTMENT.
*She actually does.
ALL RIGHT...
...
?!
Gyaru interviewer
FIRST, HOW FAR HAVE YOU GONE WITH YOUR BOYFRIEND?

D-DON'T WORRY! YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER THAT!
UM...
?!
HUH?!

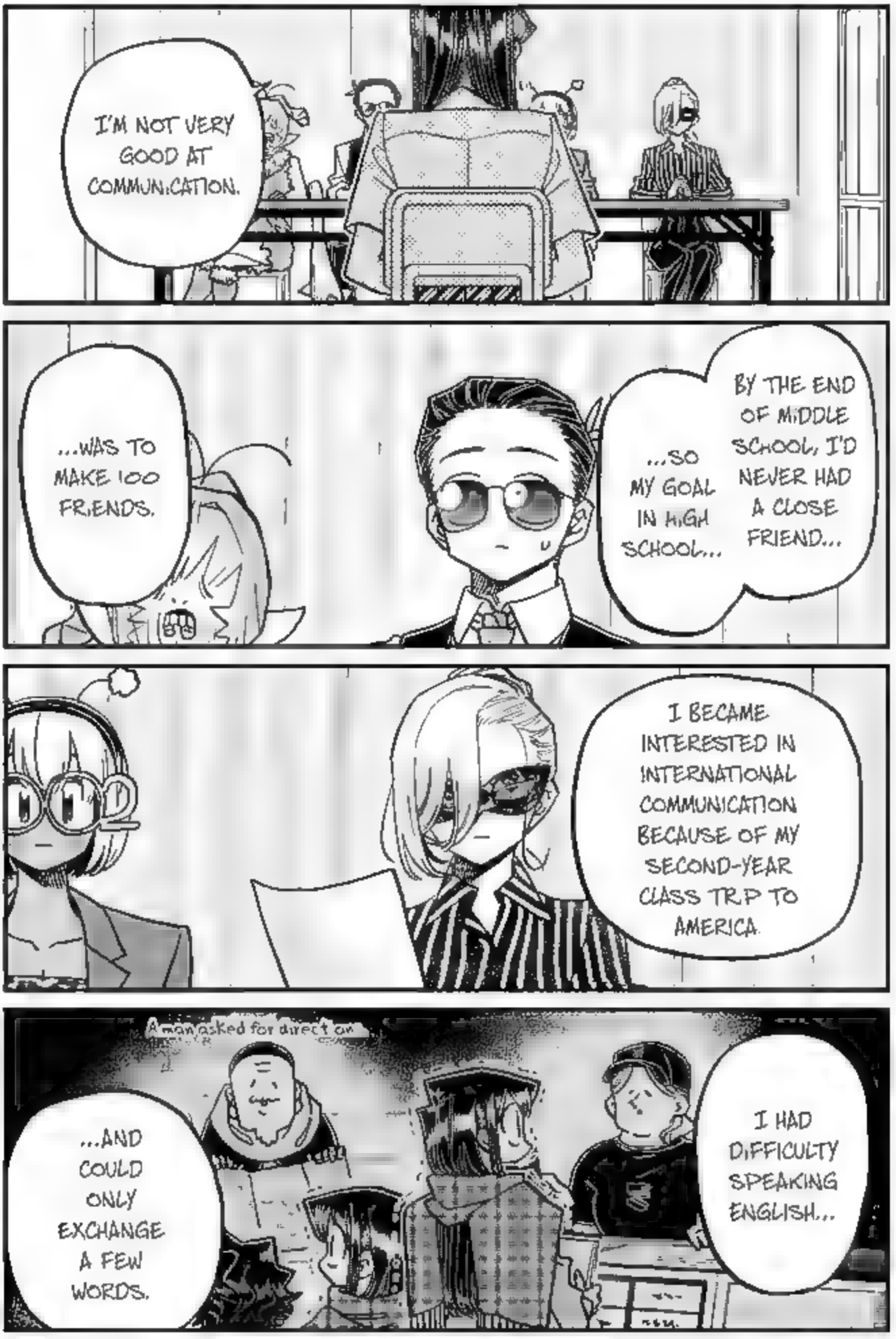
WHAT'D YOU HAVE FOR SUPPER TWO DAYS AGO?
T
WHY WOULD SHE REMEMBER ?!
You don't have to answer that either!
Strange interviewer

*ARM: LEGEND

HMM...

...BUT NOT YOU.
...OR FOCUSED ON FOREIGN LANGUAGES IN HIGH SCHOOL...
MOST STUDENTS IN THE DEPART-MENT HAVE LIVED OVER-SEAS...
Forceful interviewer

SHE'S SCARY...
SO WHAT *EXACTLY* HAVE YOU BEEN DOING?!
AHEM...
Yikes...
THAT'S PART OF WHY I WANT TO STUDY HERE.
!
...
DRAMA
DRAMA
DRAMA
DRAMA

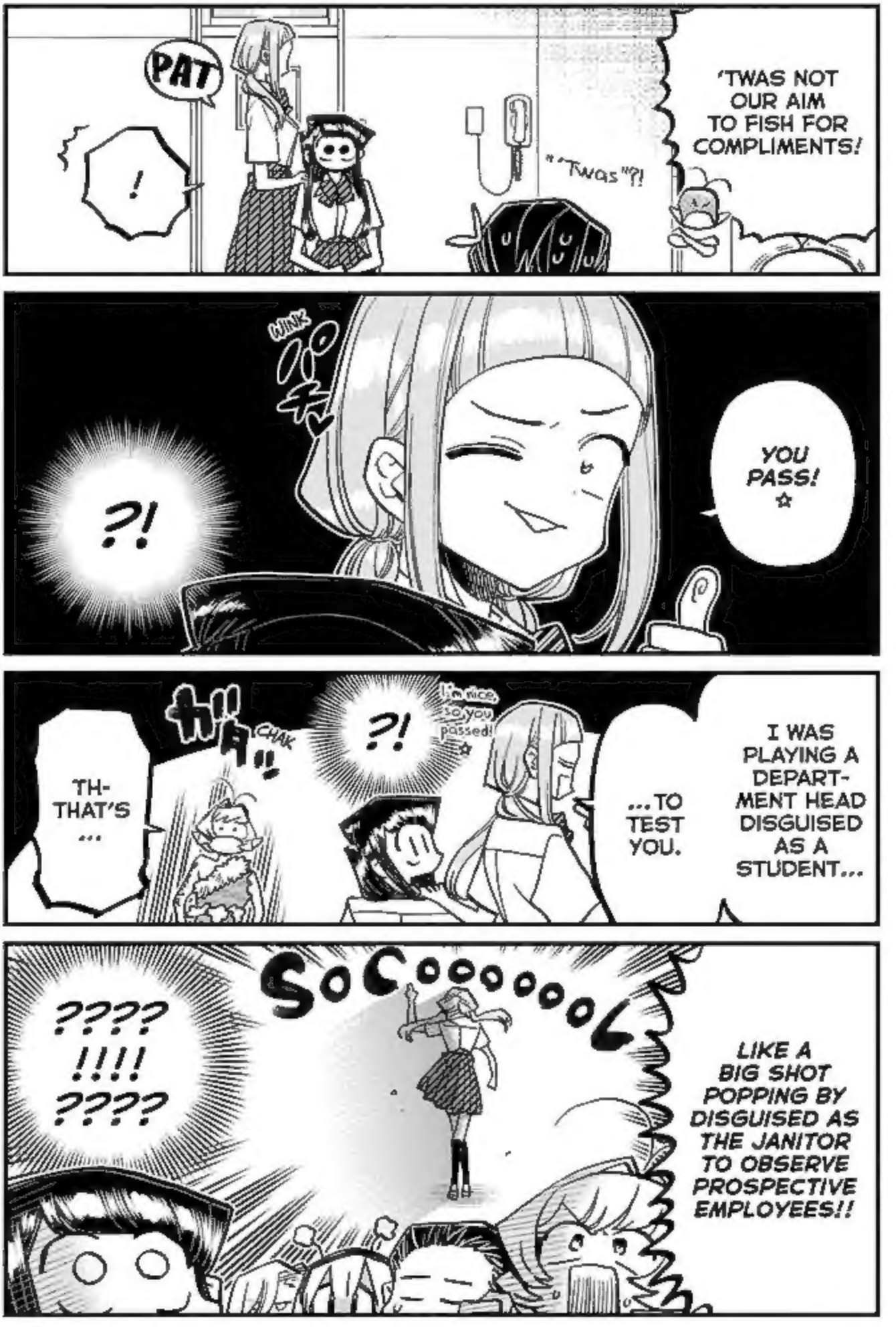

I'M NOT VERY GOOD AT COMMUNICATION.
BY THE END OF MIDDLE SCHOOL, I'D NEVER HAD A CLOSE FRIEND...
...SO MY GOAL IN HIGH SCHOOL...
...WAS TO MAKE 100 FRIENDS.
I BECAME INTERESTED IN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION BECAUSE OF MY SECOND-YEAR CLASS TRIP TO AMERICA.
I HAD DIFFICULTY SPEAKING ENGLISH...
...AND COULD ONLY EXCHANGE A FEW WORDS.

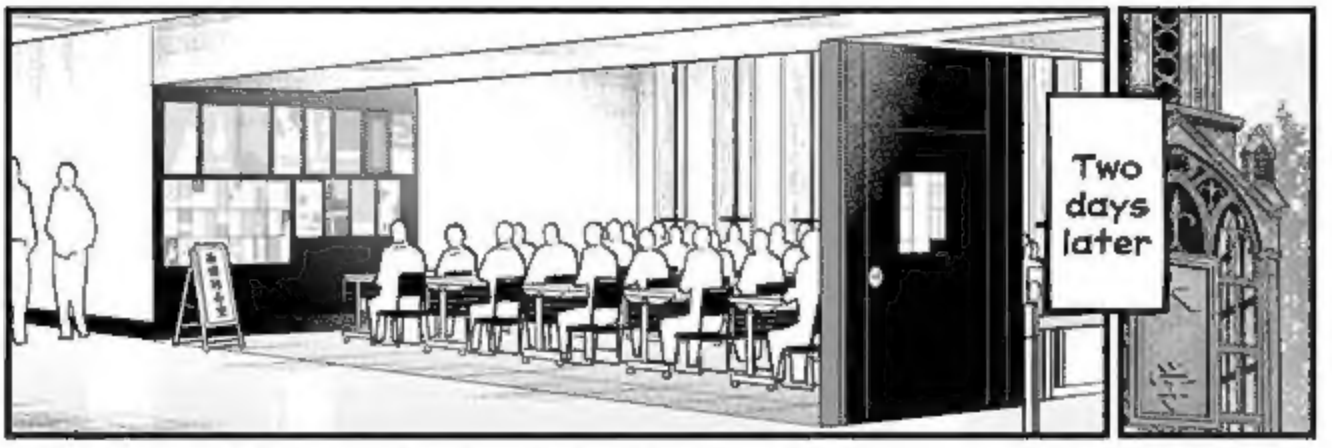
NONETHELESS, I WAS OVERJOYED TO GET TO COMMUNICATE AT ALL.
IT BARELY COMPARED TO HOW I FEEL AROUND MY FRIENDS...
...BUT IT REMINDED ME...
...OF THE JOY I DERIVE FROM THEM.
SO WHILE IT MAY SOUND SELF-CENTERED...
...I WANT TO CROSS BOUNDARIES...
...AND LANGUAGES...
...TO MAKE MORE FRIENDS...
...AS PART OF THIS DEPART-MENT.

BLUSH
!!
I HAVEN'T STUDIES OVERSEAS BECAUSE I WAS SLOW TO SET MY GOALS...
...AND I WASN'T FULLY CONFIDENT IN MY ABILITIES.
ALSO... I... UM...
...WANT TO SPEND TIME WITH THE BOY I LIKE.
?!
YEAH, WE TOTALLY GET THAT.
I ALSO WANT TO TAKE CLASSES WITH THE AUTHOR OF ACROSS NATIONAL BOUNDARIES (UNIVERSITY).
HMPH
HMPH
UM, MAY I SAY MORE?
YES, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

NOW FOR OUR LAST QUESTION.
T-TAG!!
?!
WHAT MAKES YOU PROUD OF YOUR TIME HERE?

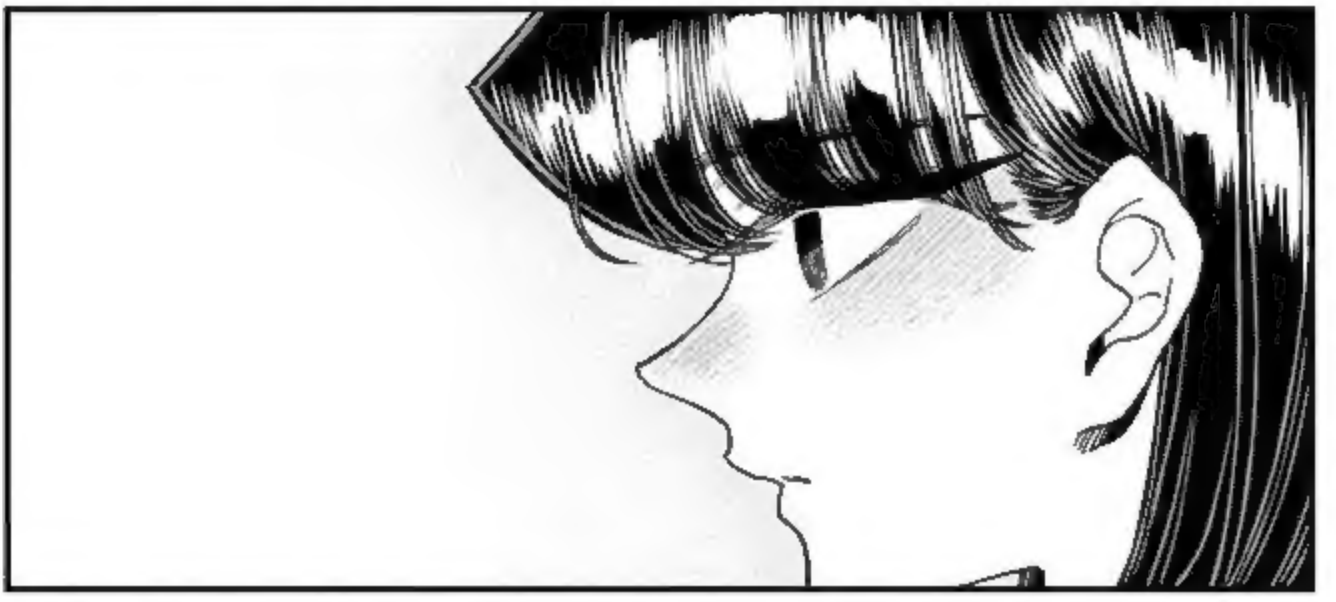
I'VE BEEN REALLY NERVOUS.
TH- THANK YOU FOR THIS INTERVIEW PRACTICE.
...THAT CAME OUT WRONG.
calm down...
S- SORRY...
BUT MY FRIENDS ARE GREAT AT SUPPORTING ME.
She recognized us.


PAT
!
"'Twas"?!
'TWAS NOT OUR AIM TO FISH FOR COMPLIMENTS!
WINK
?!
YOU PASS! ☆
TH-THAT'S ...
CHAK
?!
I'm nice, so you passed! ☆
...TO TEST YOU.
I WAS PLAYING A DEPART-MENT HEAD DISGUISED AS A STUDENT...
????
!!!!
????
SoCoooooool
LIKE A BIG SHOT POPPING BY DISGUISED AS THE JANITOR TO OBSERVE PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES!!



*SIGN: INTERVIEWS

*SEE CHAPTER 386.



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